

GIG HARBOR ARTS COMMISSION MINUTES

DATE: March 9, 2010 **TIME:** 5:35 pm

LOCATION: Executive Conference Room

SCRIBE: Lita Dawn Stanton

MEMBERS PRESENT: Bob Sullivan, Carola Filmer, Karen Peck, Ron Carson, Summer Lane Landry,

Dale Strickland, Tracy von Trotha (unexcused: Michael Jones)

STAFF PRESENT: Lita Dawn Stanton

MINUTES: Approval of GHAC December 8th Minutes (Carson/vonTrotha)

New Business

1. SKANSIE OPEN HOUSE

DISCUSSION

Staff informed Commission of May 1 & 2 Open House at Skansie Park as part of a grant program to celebrate the City's maritime heritage. The Skansie Open House Committee requested input from Arts Commission regarding their participation, art projects, coloring books, student activities, etc. Music, demonstration, plein air "paint out" with artists planned (no fees).

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Next Commission meeting is June – not enough lead time to initiate formal activities.

2. PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITIES / GHHWA

DISCUSSION

Staff informed Commission of Gig Harbor Historic Waterfront Association's downtown activities.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Communicate with GHHWA regarding the Outdoor Gallery Program and proposed placements to promote future partnerships.

Old Business

1. OUTDOOR GALLERY PROGRAM UPDATE

DISCUSSION

Strickland provided update on Feb 22 Council presentation. Formal "review process" for pedestal locations will be followed. Council voted unanimously to approve concept. Carson cost info: granite - \$50/ton + drilling and possible cutting for placement stability; columnar basalt - \$175 to \$675. Carson will solicit package bid (4 pedestals). Commission reviewed placement images from 2004 records to develop preliminary locations. Six will be forwarded to Parks and Public Works for a final selection of four locations. Preliminary choices:

- Finholm District (planter box near Anthony's)
- Austin Estuary (planter box at entrance)
- Murphy's Landing (planter box)
- Eddon Boat Park
- Downtown District (near Seasons By the Bay Store)
- Downtown District (Pioneer & Harborview in plaza area)

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

In order to meet proposed program schedule, sub-committees were formed to finalize details. Von Trotha and Peck will photograph locations. Carson and Sullivan will research material costs. Filmer and Lane will investigate funding sources. Stanton will forward "review process" chart to Sullivan with meeting dates. Stanton will forward proposed placements to Public Works to confirm feasibility (no conflict with mechanicals, etc.)

2. PUBLIC ART INVENTORY PROJECT UPDATE

DISCUSSION

VonTrotha delivered printed inventory of City owned art. Includes preface, inventory list, dates, location with over 60 pages of information and images.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP

Commissioners suggested retake of some photos prior to final print and web posting of document. Some items need images. Background and/or item "description" might be available through former Mayor Gretchen Wilbert.

3. JERISICH PARK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT UPDATE

DISCUSSION

Staff reported that a permit application is in process but that no construction schedule or funding is in place for the project.

RECOMMENDATION / ACTION / FOLLOW-UP Continue updates.

Public Announcements

Commissioners Carson, Peck and Strickland will submit letter of interest to apply for another term – Their positions expired in March. Two applications were submitted for the empty seat; they will be reviewed by the Boards & Commissions Candidate Review Committee in April.

Sullivan reported that Gino Grunberg hopes to construct an arts center along with a worship center on property owned by his church. Sullivan attended a meeting with other organizations to discuss the community's needs.

No meetings in April and May. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, June 8th.